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SUBJECT: GROC OFFICIAL STATEMENT ON MARCOS TRIP

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1. MOFA ISSUED A STATEMENT JUN 1. CRITICIZING THE ANNOUNCE-  
MENT OF PRESIDENT MARCOS' PLANS TO VISIT THGE PRC JUNE 7 TO 11.  
EXCEPT FOR ONE SECTION (PARA 5 BELOW) THE STATEMENT APPEARS TO BE  
FAIRLY ROUTINE. THE STRONGLY-WORDED WARNING  
THAT MARCOS' VISIT FOLLOWING THE FALL OF VIETNAM AND  
CAMBODIA IS "TANTAMOUNT TO GIVING ENCOURAGEMENT TO COMMUNIST  
AGGRESSION", MAY HAVE BEEN AIMED AT THE US AS WELL AS  
THE PHILIPPINES, WITH THE UPCOMING VISIT OF PRESIDENT  
FORD IN MIND.

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2. LOCAL PRESS COMMENTARY SO FAR IS LIMITED TO AN

ENGLISH CHINA POST EDITORIAL ENTITLED "TOO BAD, IF TRUE" WHICH EXPRESSES MORE REGRET THAN ANGER AT MARCOS' PLANS.  
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3. FOLLOWING IS FULL TEXT OF MOFA STATEMENT:

"THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA CONSIDERS MOST REGRETTABLE THE DECISION OF PRESIDENT FERDINAND MARCOS TO VISIT THE CHINESE MAINLAND FROM JUNE 7 TO JUNE 11, 1975 AND TO HOLD TALKS WITH THE CHINESE COMMUNIST REGIME. THIS DECISION IS BOUND TO SERIOUSLY MAR THE TRADITIONAL FRIENDLY RELATIONS BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA AND THE PHILIPPINES.

4. "IT IS TO BE POINTED OUT THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA HAS, ON MANY OCCASIONS, DRAWN THE ATTENTION OF THE PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT TO THE AGGRESSIVE NATURE OF THE CHINESE COMMUNIST REGIME AND ITS INSIDIOUS SCHEME OF WORLD COMMUNIZATION. THE ONLY WAY FOR THE FREE NATIONS TO SAFEGUARD THEIR SECURITY IS TO TAKE A FIRM STAND IN THE FACE OF THE COMMUNIST THREAT.

5. "PRESIDENT MARCOS' VISIT TO THE CHINESE MAINLAND, IN THE WAKE OF THE FALL OF THE KHMER REPUBLIC AND THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH VIETNAM INTO COMMUNIST HANDS, AND AT A TIME WHEN THE CHINESE COMMUNIST REGIME IS OPENLY SUPPORTING ARMED REBELLIONS IN SOUTHEAST ASIA, IS TANTAMOUNT TO GIVING ENCOURAGEMENT TO COMMUNIST AGGRESSION.

6. "THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA WISHES HEREBY TO SOLEMNLY REITERATE ITS POSITION THAT THE PEIPING REGIME IS A REBEL GROUP WITH NO RIGHT WHATSOEVER TO REPRESENT THE CHINESE PEOPLE AND THAT ANY AGREEMENT INVOLVING THE RIGHTS AND INTERESTS OF THE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA, WHICH MAY BE REACHED DURING THE VISIT BETWEEN THE PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT AND THE CHINESE COMMUNIST REGIME, SHALL BE CONSIDERED NULL AND VOID." POPPLE

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